

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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4. (Amended) Process according to claim 1, the blank being processed from the side in contact with the tooth stump and from the side not in contact with the tooth stump.

5. (Amended) Process according to claim 1, the pre-sintered blank comprising zirconium oxide or aluminum oxide ceramic.

6. (Amended) Denture part which can be prepared according to a process according to claim 1.

11. (Amended) Pre-sintered blank according to claim 7, obtained by sintering at a temperature of 850 °C to 1000 °C.

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12. (Amended) Pre-sintered blank according to claim 7, having a deviation from the linearity of the shrinkage per spatial direction below 0.05%.

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14. (Amended) Process for the preparation of dentures according to claim 1, a blank according to claim 7 being processed by milling into a shrinkage-matched, enlarged model of the end dentures and densely sintered to its end dimensions.

15. (Amended) Process for the preparation of dentures according to claim 1, a blank according to claim 7 being processed by CAD/CAM processed to a shrinkage-matched, enlarged model of the end dentures and densely sintered to its end dimensions.

16. (Amended) Process according to claim 14, the pre-sintered blank being aesthetically re-processed after the processing and densely sintered to its end dimensions.

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